

BIB104 OT2 Life & Literature of Israel

Unit 1 Devotional Joshua

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CREATE A DEVOTIONAL- JOSHUA

TRANSITION: Up to this point Jehovah had spoken by dreams, visions, or by angelic ministry. Now a new method is introduced. The Law of Moses is the written voice of Jehovah (Joshua 1:8).

KEY VERSE: Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. (Joshua 1:3)

Joshua compares to Ephesians in the New Testament:

- It is prophetic of Israel and typical of the church.
- Read Israel's free title to the land (Jeremiah 23:8; Ezekiel 37:21).
- Conflict and conquest go with possession.

KEY WORD: Possession

Israel's ownership was unconditional (Genesis 12:7; 15:18-21; 17:8). Israel's possession was conditional (Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20). Key word is not "victory" — God gets the victory. Israel gets deliverance and possession.

- Joshua 1:4 — Extent of Promised Land
- Joshua 13:1 — They did not possess it all.
- Joshua 11:16 — Joshua had conquered the land and it was available.
- Joshua 11:23 — Each tribe was given an allotment but had to drive out the enemy. There was to be a gradual occupation of the land by each tribe.

The Christian today is given title to spiritual blessings (Ephesians 1:3; Romans 5:1-11; Romans 8:37; 1 Corinthians 1:30; Galatians 5:22-23).

The Christian's practical possession and experience depends upon conflict and conquest (Ephesians 6:10-20; Galatians 5:25; 2 Corinthians 10:3-6; 1 Corinthians 9:25-27; Hebrews 4:11). These are never attained through the energy of the flesh, but through the power of the Holy Spirit working in the yielded life of the believer (Romans 7, Romans 8.)

INSTRUCTIONS:

Use any of the above points to create a devotional based on the book of Joshua. You may use any format, but the following outline is suggested for your use.

1. Devotional Title
2. Key Verse. Chose one or two verses as you focus verse for the devotional
3. Full Reading. Identify a passage or compilation of verses as the foundation for your devotional. For best results the choose between 6 and 18 contiguous verses. Or, choose a compilation of related verses, again totaling between 6 and 18 total verses.
4. Scripture Insight. In 3 to 6 sentences give the setting or contextual analysis of these Scriptures.
5. Add an Illustration. Create an illustration to explain or illumination the Scriptures you have chosen. Typically, this is a story or experience that clarifies or expounds on the verses. Your illustration should lead to an understating of the verses in today's culture and provide an application of the verse in our lives today, while at the same time remaining true to the meaning and context of the Scripture.
6. To end the devotional, write a short prayer for both understanding and application from the passage.